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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

In response to the notice mailed December 7, 2004 indicating that the previously-filed amendment was defective, a new complete listing of claims is attached, correctly identifying the status of claim 12.

No fee should be due. However, if any fees or extensions are due, please charge all fees to deposit account no. 50-1984.

Respectfully submitted,

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